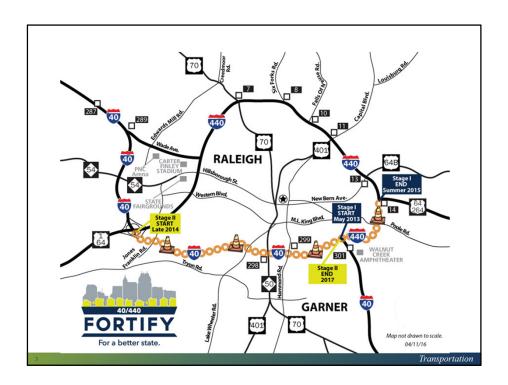


# Why Fortify?

- Thirty-year-old pavement was cracking and crumbling because of a chemical reaction happening underneath the road, triggered by a substance used in paving several decades ago.
- Crews are rebuilding an 11.5-mile stretch of I-40 and I-440.





The first stage, I-440, began in May 2013 and was completed by Summer 2015. Crews replaced the 3-mile section between the I-40/I-440 split and just north of the I-495/U.S.64-264 Knightdale Bypass. The intent of fixing I-440 first was for it to be ready as an alternate route for Stage II of the Fortify project.

Stage II, I-40, started in early 2015 with crews prepping the shoulders to be converted into travel lanes in various locations west of Jones Franklin Road to just east of the I-40/I-440 split. They have also been widening several bridges along the highway to accommodate lane shifts. The entire project is scheduled to wrap up in 2017.

### Major Fortification

- Replace pavement along 11.5-mile stretch of southern stretch of I-40 / I-440
- Extend the lanes between ramps in each direction at:
  - U.S.1/64 (Exit 293)/Gorman Street (Exit 295)
  - Gorman Street (Exit 295)/Lake Wheeler Road (Exit 297)
- Extend deceleration lane off ramp for Rock Quarry Road (Exit 300B)
- · Rehabilitate 14 bridges within project zone



#### NCDOT Helping Ease the Pain

- Keeping three lanes open in both directions for most of the project – during the entire I-40 rebuild.
- Investing an additional \$12 million in public transportation to add more buses and routes as well as identifying new park-and-ride options.



More than 100,000 cars travel on this weakened section every day. A project like this one will have an impact on traffic.

NCDOT is working with the contractor, Granite, to **keep three lanes open in both directions** for most of the project – during the entire I-40 rebuild.

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## We Need Your Help

To help reduce congestion, the goal is to get 30,000 cars off the road during heavy commute times.

- Morning: 6 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.
- Evening: 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



The goal is to get at least 30,000 cars off the road during morning and afternoon commute time.





Get the latest traffic updates, project news and information, commuter tools and resources.



NCDOT offers expanded transit services through its transit partners, GoTriangle and GoRaleigh, during both stages of the project.

- Daily express bus routes to downtown Raleigh will be available from park-and-ride lots, including Cary, South Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Clayton and Garner.
- A **vanpool program** compliments expanded transit services and is available for Johnston County commuters during the I-440 stage of the project, and for Wake County commuters during the I-40 stage.

#### Need Assistance?

- GoTriangle.org
  Visit for transportation options.
- 919-485-RIDE (7433)
  Call for live one-on-one assistance.
- Free employer consultation services Contact Kim Johnson at (919) 785-7477 or kjohnson@gotriangle.org.



